

powers as requested in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 19 : 289. I believe that the proper course now would be to submit two alternatives to the Commission for voting on one or the other as follows:

- (1) The placing of *Zorilla* I. Geoffroy, 1826, on the Official List of Generic Names with type-species *Bradypus striatus* Perry, 1810, whereby *Ictonyx* Kaup, 1835, sinks as a junior synonym of *Zorilla* I. Geoffroy, 1826.
- (2) The suppression of *Zorilla* I. Geoffroy, 1826, under the plenary powers and the placing of *Ictonyx* Kaup, 1835, on the Official List of Generic Names with type-species *Bradypus striatus* Perry, 1810; and the placing of *Zorilla* on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names.

*Viverra zorilla* Schreber, 1776, would, of course, be placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names as a junior objective synonym of *Spilogale putorius putorius* (L.).

COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED SUPPRESSION OF *TIPULA NUBECULOSA* MEIGEN, 1804 (INSECTA, DIPTERA) AS A MISIDENTIFIED SPECIFIC NAME. Z.N.(S.) 895

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Mannheims reports in 1953 (in Lindner: *Die Fliegen der Palaearktischen Region* 173 : 123-126) the results of an examination of type specimens of *Tipula nubeculosa* Meigen, 1804 (Klass. Beschr. Zweifl. Ins. p. 70), preserved in the Paris Museum. He found that the type material represents the species described by Schummel in 1833 as *Tipula rubripes* (Beitr. Ent. 3 : 49-51). Mannheims considers further that the species dealt with by Schummel in the same paper as *T. nubeculosa* represents the species *Tipula hortorum* Linnaeus, 1758 (Syst. Nat. ed. 10 : 585). He establishes the following synonymy:

Species (A) *Tipula hortorum* Linnaeus, 1758 (syn.: *T. nubeculosa* Schummel, 1833, nec Meigen, 1804)

Species (B) *Tipula nubeculosa* Meigen, 1804 (syn. *T. rubripes* Schummel, 1833).

Mannheims regrets that by evidence of the types he has been forced to change the names of the two species in this way. Until 1953 they were usually dealt with as (A) *T. nubeculosa* Meigen, and (B) *T. rubripes* Schummel.

The change of the name of the species (A) to *hortorum* Linnaeus was accepted by Drs. A. M. Hemmingsen and Henning Lemche, but in an application to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature (published in this Bulletin 22, 1 : 53-54) they propose the suppression of *Tipula nubeculosa* Meigen, 1804, as a misidentified specific name. Approval of their proposition would mean that the name *nubeculosa* disappears, in spite of our present knowledge of the identity of the species (by evidence of the types).

The case was thoroughly investigated by Mannheims, and the names are applied in accordance with the Rules, in a work which will be the standard for a long time. Therefore I disagree with the proposition presented by Drs. Hemmingsen and Lemche. Instead I herewith ask the Commission to place the following species on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:

- (a) *hortorum* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Tipula hortorum*, sensu Mannheims 1953.
- (b) *nubeculosa* Meigen, 1804, as published in the binomen *Tipula nubeculosa*, sensu Mannheims 1953.